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The Supplemental Appeal Brief filed on 8-20-2007 is noted, and the application is being forwarded to the Board of Appeals.

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